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Re: CALFED Project #97-N03 (Sacramento River Riparian Restoration)

Dear Spencer:

Due to unanticipated cost-savings, The Nature Conservancy was able to restore the 200 acres covered by the 97-N03 agreement for approximately \$142,500 less than anticipated in Task Order 1. We would like to apply these funds to do additional restoration on another Sacramento River property, the 94.55 acre Flynn Unit, which was acquired with CALFED funds under Project 97-N04. We have already begun restoration on 10 acres of the Flynn Unit as part of the 97-N04 project. With CALFED's approval, we could use the \$142,500 to restore the remaining 84.55 acres. Both the 97-N03 and 97-N04 sites are held by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service as part of the Refuge, which offers long-term protection for the restoration sites. Additionally, The Nature Conservancy would cost-share for staff time, and comprehensive monitoring of the entire 94.55 acre site could be performed under the 97-N04 agreement. If CALFED does not approve the additional restoration work, The Nature Conservancy will need to delay restoration of the additional 84.55 acres until other funding is available and the opportunity to efficiently, cost-effectively and comprehensively restore and monitor the 94.55 site as a unit will likely be lost.

On February 1, I emailed you a proposed addendum to Task Order 1 which would add a subtask 3 for the additional restoration work. Please let us know as soon as possible whether CALFED has approved this important opportunity to complete restoration of the Flynn Unit. Due to the seasonal changes, our window for spring planting is rapidly shrinking.

I've attached a map of the proposed restoration site for your reference. Please call me at (415) 281-0432 if you have any questions. Thank you.

Very truly yours,

Meghan Mazzoni
Grants Specialist

cc: Peter Jacobsen